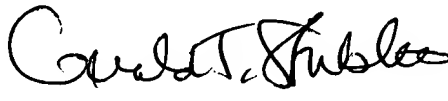


18. ✓ The method of claim [10] 12 including the step of mixing in a pharmaceutical.
19. ✓ The method of claim [10] 12 including the step of mixing in a nutraceutical.
20. ✓ The method of claim [10] 12 including the step of mixing in a vitamin and mineral mix.
21. ✓ The method of claim [10] 12 including the step of adding sorbitol.
22. ✓ The method of claim [10] 12 including the step of controlling the A_w to be at about 0.60 to about 0.75.
23. ✓ The method of claim [10] 12 including the step of adding aspirin as the active ingredient and controlling the A_w of said carrier to about 0.65.

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